

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 1030

SENATE BILL NO. 3224

By Berke, Marrero

Substituted for: House Bill No. 4010

By Armstrong

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-11-126, relative to professional bondsmen.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-11-126, is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision:

(9) Engage in the business of a professional bondsman or surety without maintaining a permanent business office, business telephone and appropriate signage indicating that such office is a professional bail bond business.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-11-126, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and by adding a new subsection thereto, as follows:

(b) Any listing or description of bondsmen or surety agents in a jail, workhouse, or other correctional facility shall be done in terms of seniority. The company or other business entity of a bondsman or surety agent with the most continuous experience in bail bond matters shall be listed first, with all other companies or business entities being listed in descending order, based upon the length of their continuous experience in bail bond matters. The sheriff or other person in charge of the jail, workhouse, or other correctional facility shall have the final decision over the listing of bonding companies or surety agents.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 7, 2008



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 28th day of May 2008



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR